Delhi were drawing payment as Casual Labourer from the Railway department while simultaneously they were actually on the pay roll and appointment of Delhi Press in the year 1985-86;

(b) whether vigilance -enquiries were conducted and facts were estai blished;

(c) whether the same persons are still working temporary porters at New Delhi Parcel Office; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and what action the Railway Administration proposes to take against these employees?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD); (a) No such complaint hag come to the notice of the Railway Administration.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Expansion of railway stations {a Tamil Nadu and Kerala

1883. SHRI T. R. BALU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of railway stations that were allotted funds in Tamil Nadu and Kerala for expansion during the last thfee years;

(b) what afe the details Of each case including the amount spent and facilities added; and

(c) what are the names of stations included for expansion and modernisation this year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE JUINISTRY OP RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) 5 stations have been selected to be developed at Model Stations in Tamil Nadu and Kerala,

(b) The five stations selected at Model Stations are as under:—

{In Lakhs of Rs.)

Name of the station	Amount spent
Tamil Nadu	
Madras Central	..
Tiruchirapalli	22.19
Madurail	5.52
Coimbatore .	14.65
Kerala	
Trivandrum	42.36
TOTAL: .	

The facilities provide at the above stations are renovation/face lifting of the station building, raising of platforms, provision of urinals, foot-over bridge; platform shelter, drinking water facilities improvements to Re-servation-Cum-Booking Office and Circulating Area, etc. depending upon the specific requirement of each station and availability of funds.

(c) No more station has *teen* selected to be developed as Model Station during this year.

Enforcement of Dowry Prohibition Act

1884. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the. Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's atten-tion has been drawn to a report which appeared in the Indian Express dated 14th April, 1988 under the caption "Amended dowry Act" not enforced in four years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what are the reasonn for delay in taking action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS- AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI-MATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The report states among other things that although the Dowry. Prohibiton Act provides for extra-police intervention in handling dowry cases, the police and others concerned with these cases seem to know little about it.

(c) The reasons are as follows:^-

(i) witnesses are not forthcoming easily.

(ii) in most of the cases no documentary evidence is available; usually the statements made by the girls' relatives are taken into account.

(iii) communication gap between the voluntary groups and the police

(iv) tardy response from State governments m setting up of Advisory Boards and appointing Dowry Prohibition Officers.

Summer specials by Southern Railway

1885. SHRI T. B. BALU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of summer specials run by southern railway last year;

^b) what-were their destinations;

(c) .what is the number of summer specials railways,plan to run this year along with their destinations;

(d) what are the specific reasons fcr not running, summer specials bet ween Trivandrum and New Delhi; and

(e) whether any representation either official Or non official was received by Government to this effect; if so, details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF "RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) 48 pairs.

(b) Trivandrum to Madras, Bangalore and Nizamuddin and Madras to Calicut and Cochin.

(c) 57 parts are proposed to ru» on. the following routes:— -

(i) Bangalore- Horwah .	17
(ii) Cochin—Bangalore	8
(iii) Calicut—Madras	8
(iv) Cochin ^Madras	8
(v) Trivandrum— Madras .	8
(vi) Tirunelveli—Madras .	8

(d) Increase in frequency Of Kerala Express from Oct '87 and restoration of Himsagar Express from April '88_

(e) Yes, Sir. A representation has been received regarding *inter alia* for running of atleast weekly holiday specials- between New Delhi and Trivandrum/Mangalore.

Use of Agati airport in Lakshadweep

1886. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

_Will the Minister of CP7IL AVIATION be pleased to refer to the reply to the answer to Unsfarred Question 978 given in the Rajya Sabha on 2nd; March, 198$ and state what b.as been*, the use of and income from the Agati Island airport sine© January 15 last?

THE[7] MINISTER OF HEALTH: AND"[1] FAMILY WELFARE AND' . TBE\ MINISTER OF CIVIL AVL^TIDrf (SHRI MOTt LAL VORA): COT^ structibn of Agattfc airjtori has cently been completed, Vayudoof Has =